New Braunfels Coffee Co.) FRIEDRICH HOMANN SADLERY New Braunfels, Texas.

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NEW BRAUNFELS COFFEE COMPANY 136 SEGUIN STREET NEW BRAUNFELS, TEXAS

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The present owner is Otto S. Vogel, New Braunfels, Texas. The building is being tenanted by the New Braunfels Coffee Company.

Mr. Vogel bought the property from Albert Homann, son of the original builder, in 1912. The building has been occupied by the New Braunfels Coffee Company since 1913.

There were no intermediate owners.

A porch was added to the front of the building while Albert Homann owned the building. This porch extended across the entire front and was of Victorian design. Old pictures of the original building show no porch existed. This porch was removed in 1927, and was replaced by the suspended awning showing in photographs. At the same time the second floor was divided into two apartments, and the addition on the rear of the building was made. No Architects were used in making these changes.

The building stands on the original site.

Friederich Homann constructed the building about 1850. Wames of Architect and Builder are not available.

Friederich Homann lived in the building until he died, and his son occupied it until his death. The building then passed into the hands of the present owner.

Mr. Homam entertained a great deal, and this building was a popular rendezvous for the social gatherings of early New braunfels; it was one of the first pretentious buildings put up in the settlement, baving an unusually large parlor.

The lower floor was originally used as a saddlery, and the second floor as a residence.

The Romann family first built a stall residence where shown on the Plot Flam, and then constructed the present building. This procedure was quite usual among the early Colonists. The small residence was later used as a kitchen and was wrecked in 1927.

The German Colony of New Braunfels was founded in 1845-46.

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